

Remarks

A. Pending Claims

Claims 2619, 2621-2630, 2632-2657, and 5150-5160 are currently pending.

B. Double Patenting

The pending claims of the application were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,712,137 and U.S. Patent No. 6,732,795. Applicant disagrees with the rejections, but in the interest of expediency, a terminal disclaimer is being submitted as an accompanying document.

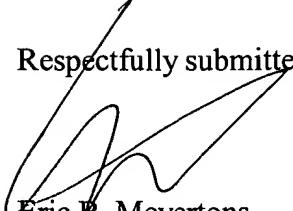
C. Additional Remarks

Applicant submits that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

A Fee Authorization in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for the terminal disclaimer. If an extension of time is required, Applicant hereby requests the appropriate extension of time. If any additional fees are required or if any fees have been overpaid, please appropriately charge or credit those fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account Number 50-1505/5659-06500/EBM.

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